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# **IMPORTANT NOTE**

Events listed in this bulletin are subject to change as we deal with the coronavirus. Please go to CEEW website, www.waukeshatemple.org, and watch for emails with updates and instructions on how to go online for services, classes and perhaps events.

SISTERHOOD HERITAGE DINNER Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5 p.m.

# Night of food, wine, raising money to help temple

#### By **JUDY SHABMAN** Heritage Dinner Chair

The date is set. The RSVP form is on Page 6 in this bulletin. Now all the CEEW Sisterhood needs is you, your family and friends at our annual Heritage Dinner and Fundraiser.

The evening will start at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary with a short documentary on Jewish cooking produced by **Sharon Levy** and starring CEEW co-president **Ann Meyers** making you-have-tocome-to-find-out.

The short film will be followed by a Havdalah service. We'll adjourn to the social hall for our meal of delicious Jewish foods and desserts.

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Joe Dailey photo

**PURIMAT CEEW:** CEEW held its Purim celebration on March 8<sup>th</sup> with a carnival for kids, a megillah reading, taco dinner and a *spiel* based on "The Lion King." Among the actors in the *spiel* were guard **Aaron Sulman** and Aaron's oldest son, *spiel* narrator **Noah**.

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**LET CANTOR MARTIN, CARING COMMITTEE KNOW:** Do you know a Temple member who is ill or in need of spiritual support of any kind (i.e. loss of job, divorce, difficult life transitions, etc.)? Contact Cantor Martin at spiritualleader@waukeshatemple.org, or 608-698-4363, or contact Caring Committee Chair Marsha Fensin at mfsings@wi.rr.com.

Cantor Martin talked about what our scriptures tell us about how to treat others.



Cantor Martin participated in a panel discussion on Interreligious Responses to Racism and Violence that was held at Carroll University on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. She was joined by Imam Noman Hussain, center, of Islamic Society West (Brookfield) and Pastor Kevin Wilkes, right, of Victorious Living Christian Center (Milwaukee). Tom Braatz photo



CANTOR DEBORAH MARTIN

From the Spiritual Leader's Desk

# Putting our situation in perspective

eeks ago, when I wrote my bulletin article that you can find in the adjacent column, I had high hopes that we would be having a community seder and our own seders at home. So the column was quite bubbly with the joy of the holiday of *Pesach*.

Now things have changed drastically and we are no longer having a second night community seder and many of us have decided not to even have a seder this year. This is very sad indeed.

However, in the wake of this pandemic, one we have not seen for at least the past 100 years, it is wise for us to follow the recommendations, stay home and stay safe. Perhaps some of you will still be able to have a "virtual seder" with your family or friends.

If we try to put this in perspective, perhaps it will help us feel better. There have been many times when our people have been slaves, persecuted and murdered and never had an opportunity to celebrate their holidays. We may indeed feel "enslaved" right now as we need to stay at home and not go out. But most of us have the comforts of home, food to eat and things to do, such as watching TV, picking up books we've been wanting to read, learning things online, etc. We can go for walks on nice days, as long as we keep 5 to 6 feet away from others. We can reconnect with family, friends and our pets at home. We can think of the blessings in our lives.

Please know that we at CEEW care about you and are here for you. Feel free to call me or a Temple board member if you need anything, or just feel isolated and need a friend to whom to talk. You are not alone.

It is also a time to connect with your spiritual self and perhaps meditate, which will refresh your mind and your spirits. (More on that in the next month's column.).

Please stay home, stay safe, wash your hands often, use gloves, masks and wipes or cleaners when you must go out. Wash off or spray your groceries before you put them away (using gloves), then either throw the gloves out or wash them thoroughly. Take every precaution you can so that every dear soul in this congregation, along with their families and friends, stay healthy and strong.

May God bless you and watch over you during this stressful time.

# Our rich tradition of words, melodies



I write this, I am preparing for the beautiful season of *Pesach*.

Spring (*Aviv*) is springing forth, and it reminds me of the elegant poetry from the Song of *Songs*, which is recited or sung during this holiday. The beautiful verses 10 through 13 are read during *Pesach*:

"Rise up my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rains are over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in our land. The fig tree sweetens her green figs and the vines are in blossom, giving their fragrance.

> Please continue reading CANTOR on Page 3



**TEMPLE BASEBALL OUTING SET FOR AUG. 11<sup>th</sup>:** The annual Temple baseball outing to watch the Brewers will be held this summer at Miller Park on Tuesday, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The Brewers take on the Florida Marlins. Ticket information to be determined. For more information, contact Elly Kraines (ellyanna340@gmail.com).

#### CANTOR

From Page 2

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away."

These verses are perfect, especially in Israel, as we see Spring appear and the joy of life and renewal help us retell the Passover story.

Although we are not certain of the author of the *Song of Songs*, in the *Babylonian Talmud* it is ascribed to King Solomon. Some modern scholars actually believe it could have been written around 400 BCE, many centuries after King Solomon, who could have reigned around 970 to 931 BCE. The Jewish Encyclopedia notes that some scholars think it was composed between 200 and 100 BCE.

It contains a collection of songs about love, nature and people. Throughout Jewish history the text has been read by Jews on Passover, when we recall our exodus from slavery into freedom. This freedom is a testimony of God's love for us, and we respond with loving gratitude. The book is considered an allegory. The love poems are the poetry of God's love for Israel and Israel's loving response.

Song of Songs, or Shir Hashirim, has a special cantillation chant to it. I, like other cantors, often use this melody when we sing at weddings. The texts also are often used for weddings, for they are beautiful poetic writings of love.

Music always has been used to present important texts in Judaism. It has a way of awakening thoughts and emotions in ways that words alone cannot.

The system of cantillations was formed between the 6<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> centuries by the Masoretes, who became the authoritative group on interpretation of the Biblical texts. They developed the Tiberian vowel system. Originally, there were no vowels or punctuation marks in Hebrew, and even today in Israel, Jewish newspapers have none of these markings.

The Masoretes also added a detailed system of diacritical marks that served as accents, punctuation and musical notes (cantillations) for use in worship services.

By the 10<sup>th</sup> century, the Masoretes had officially determined the reading, vocalization and punctuation of the biblical texts, which made it possible for Jews in the diaspora to remember the correct way to read the Hebrew of the ancient texts.

There are five musical systems for the cantillations, depending on the festival, religious holiday or occasion for which you will be using it. We have a musical system for the *Torah* chanted on Shabbat, and also a different musical system for the *Torah* read or chanted on High Holy Days.

There are also musical systems for the chanting of the haftarah (a selection from the book of Prophets), for the book of *Esther*, which I chanted during Purim, and there is a different melodic system for *Eicha* or (Lamentations), which are chanted during *Tisha B'Av* or the 9<sup>th</sup> of *Av*. Other books of *Ketuvim* (Writings) are chanted to the musical system of the *Song of Songs*.

The cantillations help us put emphasis and beauty into the words that are chanted. We have inherited a rich tradition in both the words and melodies of our holidays.

I wish you and your families a very happy *Pesach* holiday!



Marie Loeffler photo

School parents put together carnival games for our Purim celebration that was held March 8<sup>th</sup>. (More pictures on Page 10.)



B'NAI MITZVAH COORDINATOR SOUGHT: Cantor Martin is looking for someone to help our B'nai Mitzvah families so they have someone they can contact for the logistics of the service: 1. how to get the key; 2. whom to call if they need to open the sanctuary wall; 3. whom to contact about doing an oneg or doing a reception at CEEW.

#### LIA ECKER'S BAT MITZVAH: Tentatively set for June 6th

# Lia is smart, talented, athletic

By LEE FENSIN **Bulletin Contributor** 

ia Ecker is on the High Honor Roll at North Lake School. She recently received a high vellow belt in tae kwon do.

She runs track and cross country, and likes drawing and art in general.

And as many of her friends and classmates might not know, she reads Hebrew.

The latter skill will be put on display at Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha this summer when Lia, the daughter of Jennifer and Wes Ecker. becomes a Bat Mitzvah.

What that means for Lia is: "It shows what I know about the Torah. It also shows that I am responsible for my obligations as a Jew."

She says what she will need to concentrate most on while on the bima is "not panicking." Those who know her realize that shouldn't be a concern.

"I'm really proud of Lia and all the work she has put into learning Hebrew and her Torah portion," Jennifer said. "Lia is a very caring, kind and intelligent girl. It amazes me how much she has grown and learned over the years. She is becoming an amazing young lady."

Lia's father says she is smart and creative. "I'm very proud of her and all she has accomplished," Wes said.

Lia, a seventh-grader, has been working with CEEW librarian Carol O'Neil in the Temple library as her mitzvah project.

"Lia is an incredibly talented artist," said Marie Loeffler, her Bat Mitzvah tutor. "She is kind and considerate of others."

Cantor Martin, Lia's first Bat Mitz-

From Marie Loeffler Lia's Bat Mitzvah tutor

(Lia) is a keen student who always has very insightful things to say.





Lia Ecker, above left, recently earned a high yellow belt in tae kwon do. Lia, below right, also loves to run track and cross country.



vah tutor, added, "Lia has lots of energy, is extremely intelligent and has a very inquisitive mind. She embraces being Jewish and is always kind and helpful to others. I know she will do a wonderful job for her Bat Mitzvah, and I am so proud and in awe of the wonderful Jewish woman she is becoming."



#### LIA at a glance

It began: on Nov. 10, 2006, when I was born in Menomonee Falls.

Also in my family are: my parents, Wes and Jennifer, and my brothers, Torin, 11, and Rylan, 8. We have a dog named Rue. I live in: The Town of Erin. I attend: North Lake School, where I am a seventh-grader. My Torah portion is: Ki Tisa. My favorite subject in school is: Design and Modeling. My favorite musical groups are: the Lumineers and Linkin Park.

My favorite books are: the Percy Jackson series and Harry Potter series.

My favorite movies are: the Star Wars series.

The best meal my mother makes is: chicken enchiladas.



**YEC REPORT:** The Youth Education Committee raised enough money to pay for all of the supplies for the Purim Carnival games and the Instagram frame. The YEC also collected enough to cover the cost of at least one more game (skee-ball) to be built over the summer.

# Speaker lived tough childhood

Howard Melton was 10 years old living in Lithuania when the war began and he was immediately forced into a ghetto.

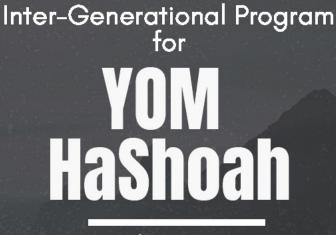
Howard, his mother and his two sisters were then sent from the ghetto to a labor camp in Latvia, where he volunteered to work on a farm.

In 1943, Howard's younger sister was sent to Auschwitz, where she was killed in January of 1945. His mother and older sister were both killed in Stutthof.

Howard, now 88 years old, was sent to the Dachau concentration camp where the conditions were very harsh and people suffered from hunger and exhaustion. In 1945 he was forced to march for 10 days. At the end of the march, Howard was rescued by the American troops. At age 14, Howard weighed only 55 pounds.

Both Howard and his father survived the war. He moved to New York City in 1949, but later moved to Milwaukee to be near his friend Albert Beder. He joined the Air Force in 1950 and was married in 1951.

Melton has been a long-time member of the Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center Speakers Bureau.





#### SUNDAY, APRIL 19th

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha 830 West Moreland Blvd. The adult community at large is invited to attend the talk with students from the 5th grade and older classes.

YOM HAATZMAUT



ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

# **Intergenerational Yom Haatzmaut Celebration**

**10 a.m. Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha** 

ISRAELI FOOD, MUSIC, FUN AND ACTIVITIES A-Band-in-all-Hope, made up of local musicians, will play. Family and Friends WELCOME

\$14 per adult, \$7 per child age 10 and under RSVP by April 21<sup>st</sup> to Education Director Carrie Barbakoff, eddirector@waukeshatemple.org.



**SUPPORT B'NAI MITZVAH STUDENTS:** All members of Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha are invited to support our *B'nai Mitzvah* students and families by attending their services on Shabbat. Check Temple calendar for dates and times.

# **CEEW SISTERHOOD'S HERITAGE DINNER**

# SATURDAY, MAY 2nd

# 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at CEEW



RETURNING to our ROOTS

JOIN US FOR SISTERHOOD'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR (including Wine Pull and 50-50 Raffle)

> OPEN TO Members and

> > Guests

COST \$20 per meal QUESTIONS Contact Judy Shabman at 414-774-7433 or jshabman@feldschumacher.com



Checks made out to **CEEW SISTERHOOD** should be received, along with this RSVP form, by Barb Dailey no later than **APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>**.

• Mail to: CEEW Sisterhood, c/o Barb Dailey, PO Box 332, Waukesha, WI, 53187-0332

- Put in Sisterhood mailbox in Temple administrative office
- Hand to Barb

NAME(S)	E(S)EMAIL OR PHONE		
MEALS @ \$20	\$		
SISTERHOOD'S JEWISH CAMP DONATIC	N \$		
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$		

# MENU

Brisket Roasted Chicken Tzimmes Potato Kugel Noodle Kugel Couscous Green Salad Fresh Fruit Chopped Liver Herring Assorted Rolls Beverages Dessert Buffet



WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND TEMPLE: A copy of the Temple calendar that is kept on the Temple website is as up-to-date as possible so members and prospective members can see what's going on. If you are interested in scheduling a Temple event or meeting, please contact Lee Fensin at Lee.Fensin@waukeshatemple.org.

DINNER

# Come for a **TWO-FER**

FRIDAY, APRIL 24th There will be a Shabbat service and a talk by congregant ELLYN LEM.

#### and MOVIE



**ADULT ED COMMITTEE** 

presents on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> ...

6:30 – 8:15 p.m. – Movie & discussion

#### WHAT

A joyous film about a joyous man: the life and times of **Itzhak Perlman** 

The famous violinist was born in Tel Aviv to a family of Polish origin. When he was 4, he contracted polio, losing the use of his legs. Despite his handicap, he learned the violin and became one of the world's most popular musicians. He is among the most brilliant violinists

of his generation.

Dinner will be ordered from Mr. Wok in Waukesha and will include a Thai vegetable egg roll, a choice of two entrees, beverages and a fortune cookie.



#### COST

\$12 for dinner and movie; \$5 for movie (6:30 p.m.) only

#### RSVP (By April 22<sup>nd</sup>)

With name(s) and the two choices of entree for each person and CHECK\$

Mail the above to:

Mari-Claire Zimmerman

S44 W34127 Deer Park Road, Dousman 53118 Or put in Adult Education Committee's mailbox in CEEW office,

#### YOU PICK TWO ENTREES

Vegetable Fried Rice

Chicken Fried Rice Chicken Pudd Thai

Vegetable Egg Foo Young Chicken Egg Foo Young

Beef Pudd Thai

Contact Mari-Claire Zimmerman (262-352-9270) with questions. Family and friends welcome.



TIME SCHEDULE 7-7:45 p.m. Service, led by Cantor Martin

7:45-8:30 p.m. Program, followed by potluck oneg.

Coming on May 22<sup>nd</sup> Peggy Rozga, Poet Laureate of Wisconsin



SHABBAT SERVICES will feature a discussion of Jewish authors. Jews are often called "people of the book," but what actually deserves the designation of being a "Jewish book?" UW-Milwaukee at Waukesha English professor and congregation member, Ellyn Lem will address this question and share recommendations of classic and contemporary Jewish authors whose works have generated positive reception among critics and readers.

Another of sever-

al 2020 FRIDAY

NIGHT SPECIAL

**CONTACT ADMINISTRATOR ON RECENT DEATHS:** Contact Administrator Jan Lowell prior to a service to add a name of a relative or friend to the recent list of those who have died.

# As we look ahead to April's holidays, thank you to Purim carnival helpers

irst, the Religious School would like to thank **Pete Koszarek** and **Jon Ogden** for all of their hard work to make the 2020 Purim carnival games.

Also, a big *thank you* to all of the parents who came and painted these games to bring them to life the week before the carnival, and to everyone who helped on the day of carnival. Lastly, thank you to everyone who came to the Purim carnival, Purim shpiel and Purim dinner. This is what Purim is all about, celebrating our pride of being Jewish as a community.

Next on the Jewish calendar is the month of *Nisan* (April) when we celebrate several holidays. First, Passover. This holiday is celebrating freedom as we remember the Exodus from Egypt more than 3,000 years ago. The story is reading from a book called *"Haggadah"* that means the telling, which is telling the *"seder"* or the order of the prayers, rituals, readings and songs. The *Haggadah* helps us retell the events of the Exodus, so that each generation may learn and remember this story that is so central to Jewish life and history.

Second, Yom HaShoah, which is Holocaust Remembrance Day. On Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m., CEEW will have an intergenerational Yom HaShoah observance. Howard Melton will be talking about his experience during the Holocaust. (Please see Page 4.) He survived a ghetto, a labor camp and a concentration camp. The adult community at large and congregation is invited to attend the talk with the fifth grade and up students. It is free and open to the public. Questions? Contact me at eddirector@waukeshatemple.org.

Third, Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. at CEEW will host an Inter-



Marie Loeffler photo

Teacher **Sarah Berry** and students in grades 3 through 7 play *Jeopardy*. The question on the screen is: Why are *Hamantaschen* triangles? If the students answered, because they represent Haman's three-cornered hat, they were correct.



generational Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel's Independence Day) celebration, open to the public. The event will feature Israeli activities, Israeli food that will be served from Naf Naf and Israeli music played by the Temple's klezmer band, A Band'n All Hope. The cost is \$14 per Oueen Esther aka Esthernala, aka Julia Christian — explains an impending catastrophe to her Uncle Mordechai — aka Simbordechai, aka Jonah Sulman during CEEW's Purim celebration spiel on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Joe Dailey photo

adult, \$7 per child age 10 and younger. Prices include the food and activities. RSVP to me by April 21<sup>st</sup> at <u>eddirector@waukeshatemple.org</u>.

I wish everyone a Happy Passover, and hope you enjoy this time with family and friends.



**PARTICIPATE IN SCRIP PROGRAM:** Purchasing gift cards and electronic Scrip, with access to more than 750 retailers, will earn CEEW anywhere from 2.5 percent to 16 percent. It's easy and costs you nothing. Check it out at shopwithscrip.com. To learn more or to start purchasing Scrip, contact Laurie Schwartz at (303) 888-5137 or at Iss303@aol.com.

# **PURIM AT CEEW**

Photos by JOE DAILEY / Bulletin Co-Editor



In Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha's first Lion-King-inspired Purim *spiel*, from left: narrator **Noah Sulman**, Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff** as Pumberesh, **Jonah Sulman** as Simbordechai, Cantor **Deborah Martin** as Haman (BoooooHissss#&\$@\*ClackClackClack!!!), **Ava Koszarek** as Queen Sarabi Vashti, **Tom Braatz** as King Mufachashveriosh and **Julia Christian** as Queen Esthernala.



**Soren Christian** shows off his handeye coordination as classroom aide **Briar Rahmes** encourages him.



From left: **Torin Ecker, Esme Patz, Rylan Ecker** and **Lia Ecker** take a break from Purim Carnival



Sisterhood board members **Denise Stodola**, left, and **Barb Dailey** put their silly side on display.



**HOST AN ONEG:** If you would like to host an Oneg Shabbat to celebrate a simcha in your family, there are signup sheets on the social hall door or call the Temple office, 262-547-7180.

### PURIM CARNIVAL GAMES PREPARATION Photos by MARIE LOEFFLER

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Jennifer Ecker paints the paper airplane game as Christopher Christian holds the board and Pete Koszarek, left, and Jon Ogden look on.



**David Cornale**, right, looks over the work of a fellow parent as they were among several parents who helped build Purim carnival games at CEEW.

Cecille Sulman paints a Purim carnival game during Religious School.



### Intergenerational Passover model seder on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

The seder will be held via Zoom. (See Temple website for link.) Meeting ID: 349-312-898 If you cannot get Zoom to work, you can call in on a telephone. Dial (408) 638-0968. At the prompt, enter 349-312-898 and press #.



**GIFT SHOP HOURS:** Fridays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., and some Sunday mornings. To arrange additional times, contact Sara Anson (ansondougandsara@gmail.com} or Judy Shabman (jshabman@att.net).

#### SISTERHOOD



# CO-PRESIDENTS

and

SARA ANSON

# CEEW members come through again to support Tikkun Olam

By DENISE STODOLA

n behalf of my co-president Sara Anson and the entire Sisterhood Board, we would like to extend an enormous "Thank You" to all those who contributed to the Purim Crib Project. Our CEEW "family" never ceases to amaze me, and I'm proud to be a member!

I'd like to extend a big Mazel Tov to **Sara** and **Doug Anson** on the birth of their son **Benjamin Noah**, and to **Evelyn** on becoming his beautiful big sister.

I have a feeling that spring is in the air. I believe we are all done with winter and need sunshine. Spring will usher in Sisterhood's annual Heritage Dinner and Fundraiser on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The dinner article and RSVP form are included in this bulletin.

I would encourage you to consider coming to this wonderful dinner and fundraiser. **Carol O'Neil** will be making her awesome chicken among other tasty dishes.

May 15<sup>th</sup> will be our Sisterhood Shabbat coordinated with love by **Marsha Fensin**.

I would like to remind everyone to remember the food bin benefitting the Waukesha Food Pantry. The organization is truly grateful for CEEW's contributions all year, not just at Yom Kippur.



Sandy Villa photo From left: **Milo Patz, Molly Schmidt** and **Lia Ecker** stand by the Purim crib and the banner they created for it.

# Purim crib project a big success

By **SANDY VILLA** Tikkun Olam Chair

On a dreary winter day, I delivered 84 baby bottles and 89 infant outfits to the Hope Center.

The young man who helped me carry these items to the sorting room commented as I left, "Thank you for bringing hope." I told him those words would be shared with the generous members of Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha.

To all of you, what can I say? You never cease to amaze me with your generosity and willingness to share. Tikkun Olam is such an integral part of our congregation.

The photo includes the students who created the banner above the Purim crib. They are **Milo Patz, Mol-Iy Schmidt** and **Lia Ecker**. Thanks to the three of you and to **Ilene Jauquet** who oversaw the project. The Sisterhood is excited to have the Religious School as a partner in its Tikkun Olam projects.

### DINNER

From Page I What can you do to make this evening a success you ask? Donate a bottle of wine worth at least \$10 for our wine pull and purchase a \$10 ticket to pull a bottle of wine. Wine can be dropped off at the Temple before Friday evening services or on Sunday morning with a label stat-

ing Wine Pull. What else can you do? RSVP before April 17<sup>th</sup> for a fun-filled night of good conversation, connecting with friends both old or new, and — of course — awesome food. Don't forget to bring your appetite and checkbook!

We have many fabulous cooks and bakers in the congregation, and now you can have a delicious dinner while helping the Sisterhood raise funds. The proceeds will be used for camp scholarships so our youth can experience a Jewish summer camp, and other projects throughout the Temple.

Besides the wine pull and 50/50 raffle, the Gift Shop will be having a "To Good to Miss" sale. You will be able to purchase many items at a reduced price, AND your purchases may be made with a credit card. (Gift Shop items only.)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or a Sisterhood member. Thank you, and see you on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.



**CHECK YOUR EMAIL:** Weekly emails contain valuable information about our synagogue and what's going on. If you would like to include something that is of interest to other congregants, please contact Mark Levy at communications@waukeshatemple.org.

#### SISTERHOOD SHABBAT 7 p.m. Friday, May 15th

# Let us know if you would like to participate or can help

By **MARSHA FENSIN** Sisterhood Shabbat Chair

Come one, come all.

Read Hebrew — we need you.

Read English — we need you.

Sing or play an instrument — we need you.

Share a word of Torah — we need you.

Like to chat — we need you. Make new friends — we need you.

Know any good Jewish jokes — we need you.

Please join with your CEEW Sisterhood on Friday night, May 15<sup>th</sup>, for a special Shabbat service celebrating the women of our congregation.

We invite all the women of the congregation, whether or not you are Sisterhood members — to pitch in to help lead the service, provide music, get to know one another — taking a Hebrew or English part in the service, or by helping with the dinner before the service.

If you are interested in participating in the service, please contact **Marsha Fensin** at (262) 894-2718 or

mfsings@wi.rr.com.

If you can help with the dinner, please contact **Carol O'Neil** at (920) 669-3682 or <u>caroljo@tds.net</u>, both by April 15<sup>th</sup>



Benjamin Noah Anson has arrived and is settling in with Sara, Doug and Evelyn.



# MAZEL TOV to ...

#### ANNIVERSARIES

- Arlene and Peter Shelley, who will celebrate their 56<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Mike and Nancy Cummens, who will celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- **Theodore Hacker**, the grandson of Deb and Rich Hacker, who will celebrate his second birthday on April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Cantor Deborah Martin, who will celebrate a birthday on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### LIFECYCLE

• Sara and Doug Anson, on the birth of their son Benjamin Noah. He was born March 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:14 a.m., weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19.5 inches long.

#### ETC.

• Jennifer Ecker, for winning the CEEW hamentashen baking contest for Purim. Sharon Levy finished a vote behind.



The **Patz** family — **Tabb, Andi, Milo** and **Esme** have become involved and successful in tae kwon do.

Share with the congregation all the wonderful things happening in your family. Send information to: temple-news@hotmail.com. \* \* \* Shapper on Oper to coloberto a chosicl event: sign up page the cosicl hall door.

Sponsor an Oneg to celebrate a special event; sign up near the social hall door.



**MIDRASH CLASS OFFERED:** All adults are welcome to join in the weekly Midrash class. It runs from 10:30 a.m. to noon most Wednesdays. Contact Cantor Martin for more information.





**Benne Alter:** Friday, April 3; Nisan 9 *Father of Ann (Alan) Meyers* 

**Bella Cohen:** Sunday, April 12 *Observed by the congregation* 

Merle E. Goldstone: Wednesday, April 8; Nisan 14 Father of Michael Goldstone (Susan Vetrovsky)

Lee Gottlieb: Thursday, April 2; Nisan 8 Mother of Nancy (Mike) Cummens

**Samuel Hafner:** Wednesday, April 15 Father of Sandra (Marvin) Small Grandfather of Sydney Small



PLEASE NOTE: Some of the listings don't have a Hebrew date; that is because we have been changing the database and offering English / Gregorian dates to those who prefer them. In such cases, only the English / Gregorian dates will be listed.

Kathe (Kay) Kurz: Wednesday, April 8; Nisan 14 Observed by the congregation

Martin Levin: Saturday, April 5; Adar II 29 Uncle of Mark (Cindy) Levy

Lida Merkow: Sunday, April 26; Iyar 2 Grandmother of Steve (Ann) Merkow

Sheldon D. Miller: Tuesday, April 7; Nisan 13 Stepfather of Michael Goldstone (Susan Vetrovsky)

**F. Herbert Venango:** Wednesday, April 15 *Father of Arlene (Peter) Shelley* 

# **Concert for the homeless exceeds expectations**

Cantor Martin, CEEW musicians participate

By **LEE FENSIN** Bulletin Contributor

**Cantor Martin, Marie Loeffler** and the CEEW klezmer band, **A Band'n All Hope**, took part in the Concert To Shelter at First Methodist Church in Waukesha that has raised nearly \$18,000 with more donations promised.

"The success of the day continues to grow even as the event itself slowly fades into memory," said **Greg Carpenter**, the organizer of the Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> concert's music.

First Methodist pastor **Dan Schwerin** said he would have been happy if the concert raised \$10,000. Carpenter said, "We had great hopes that this event would raise more than the similar event in 2013 that raised just over \$16,000. Both levels of expectation have been eclipsed by this incredible

# FROM CANTOR MARTIN, who took part in concert planning

"It was definitely a labor of love to see everyone put their heart and soul into having a beautiful concert in order to collect funds for the overflow shelter. We definitely



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have a need for it, especially in these trying times.

"Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make this a special and successful event. I was honored to be part of it."

show of care and generosity."

"This is fabulous news," said CEEW vice president **Mark Levy**, the leader of the klezmer band, "We're glad that we were a part of it."

Marie, who played her violin, added, "What a lovely concert it was."

"It takes a village was alive and well that afternoon but continues to this day in our collective groups and congregations," Carpenter added. "Thank you to all participants for all you have done to lift awareness, energize your musicians and all those in your care."

"While addressing our community's homelessness was the principal goal, an unspoken goal, but one equally as important, was the expression of community that at times seems hard to find in our city," Carpenter added.

Waukesha Mayor **Shawn Reilly** spoke, and Carpenter said, "I reflected on Mayor Reilly's 'I've been touched' comment and he discussed that there are not many, if any, occasions where he can witness collective community such as we shared (at the concert)."

Carpenter added, "A thank you to all is not enough. Please know that the day will remain deeply imbedded in my memory. It was a day where that collective effort served us all in so many ways beyond our purpose."



HAVDALLAH CEREMONY APRIL 4<sup>th</sup>: Cantor Martin will do a Zoom session at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. She will teach about the ceremony of *Havdallah* and lead *Havdallah*. You can find the link to the session on our Temple website.

### **BOOK CLUB REPORT / Barb Zacher Reviews:** Spies of No Country

# Story about four members of secret unit

This is the story of Israeli intelligence in a 20-month period beginning in January 1948 in the ports of Haifa and



Beirut. The four young men in their 20s of Arab descent — Gamliel, Isaac, Havakuk and Yakuba — were discriminated against by their Arab

governments because

Matti FRIEDMAN

they were Jews. These men were members of the "Arab section," a secret unit led by the Jewish militia in Palestine.

They were put to work as spies and saboteurs in enemy territory. They

### **CEEW Book Club**

The Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, Book Club meeting has been canceled. Group members will discuss *Spies of No Country* at a future meeting.

couldn't have wives or families because their lives were always in danger.

Theirs was a daunting task, where the simplest act could escalate into disaster.

Most of the story was told by Isaac, who lived into his 90s.

Author **Matti Friedman** was born in Toronto, Canada, and has lived in Israel since 1995. He is a contributing writer to The New York Times and a former correspondent for The Associated Press.

Friedman's other books are *Pumpkin Flowers* and the *Aleppo Codex*.

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If you are interested in the CEEW Book Club, please email **Barb Zacher** at <u>zacherhc@wi.rr.com</u>.

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#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOTES March 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting By JOE DAILEY / Bulletin Co-Editor

- The Board discussed possible congregational responses to the coronavirus pandemic.
- Many of the Board members learned for the first time that Sara and Doug Anson's "sweet little man" had been born just a few hours earlier. Benjamin weighed in at 7 pounds, 15 ounces, and was doing well.
- Cantor Martin reported that the Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> Concert To Shelter supporting Waukesha's overflow shelter for homeless people — was successful, raising nearly \$18,000. (See story on Page 13.) She, violinist Marie Loeffler and CEEW's own A Band'n All Hope performed during the event.
- Cantor Martin mentioned several challenges and accomplishments in the previous month, including presenting a Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> program at Carroll University on "racism and what our scriptures tell us about how to treat others." She also reported on her work in a course — "Don't Kvetch, Organize" — sponsored by the Jewish Organizing Institute and Network's JOIN for Justice. The course would end on March 18<sup>th</sup>. she said. "I hope to be able to teach and use some of these strategies in working with the Social Action Committee and other committees." she said. JOIN for Justice courses support congregation-based community organizing, especially within interfaith organizations working for social change, notes the organization's website.

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• Co-president **Ann Meyers** reported on the April 2<sup>nd</sup> (about 12:15 p.m.) Brookfield-Elm Grove Interfaith Network (BEGIN) event featuring a speaker on dementia. Those wanting to attend should tell her.



**OUR WEBSITE:** Check out our creative new website developed by Mark Levy at www.waukeshatemple.org.

# **IN APPRECIATION:**

February donations, submitted by CEEW Treasurer Alan Meyers

#### IN MEMORY OF Aaron Levy Donation from Karen Levy and Peter Lee

**Richard Louis Rocamora** Donation from Rick and Joan Rocamora

Jeanette Jacobs Donation from Howard Jacobs Jacquie Hurwitz

Donation from Jack and Elaine Goldberg

Ruth Kalstein Donation from Jack and Elaine Goldberg

#### Howard Hurwitz Donation from Jack and Elaine Goldberg

**Ester Workman** Donation from Michael Goldstone and Susan Vetrovsky

#### Richard J. Steinberg, Joseph Steinberg, Jessie Steinberg Donation from Rick and Mary Steinberg

MISCELLANEOUS Purim Games Donations from Adrian Richfield, Marsha and Lee Fensin and Denise and Dennis Stodola Return of Biennial scholarship Donation from Laurie Schwartz Miscellaneous Donation from Paula Jeanine Duval

Recent donations are listed in the CEEW bulletin every month. If you do not want your name to appear, please indicate that with your contribution.

# תודה רבה Todah Rabbah Many Thanks to . .

- Youth Education Committee copresidents Loren Schmidt and Andi Patz and other parents for their work to provide the Temple with an enjoyable Purim celebration on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Also thanks to those who created and set up the Purim carnival games, those who made *hamentashen* and those who participated in the Purim *shpiel*, which this year was based on "The Lion King."
- Mari-Claire Zimmerman, for organizing the Soup-er Shabbat on March 6<sup>th</sup>; to Pati Allen Brickman and Dennis Stodola

for making soups and all those who brought food to share and helped with setup and cleanup.

• Mari-Claire Zimmerman and Marsha and Lee Fensin, for leading

the Shabbat service on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

- Cantor Martin sends "a great big thank you" to Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff** for all the extra effort she has put into making arrangements for Religious School and Hebrew School by ZOOM. Also, she made power points for our services and the model seder.
- Mark Levy, for the technology work he put in as many events, services and classes went online during this tough time.

SAVE the DATES

# SUNDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>

Yom Hashoah observance, 10:30 p.m. at Temple

### FRIDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>

Special Shabbat, featuring Ellyn Lem discussing Jewish authors, 7 p.m. at Temple

# SATURDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>

Adult Ed program: Dinner and a Movie, 5:30 p.m. at Temple

### SUNDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>

Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration, 10 a.m. at Temple

### SATURDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>

Sisterhood's Heritage Dinner, 5 p.m. at Temple

### THURSDAY, MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>

Adult Ed program, featuring Molly Dubin from The Jewish Museum Milwaukee: The Life and Legacy of Harry Houdini 7 p.m. at Temple



**SOUP-ER SHABBAT UPDATE:** The Soup-er Shabbat that had been scheduled for Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. has been cancelled because of the coronavirus.



APRIL SHABBAT SERVICES

#### APRIL 3 7 p.m.: Led by Cantor Martin APRIL 10 7 p.m.: Led by Cantor Martin APRIL 17 7 p.m.: Led by Cantor Martin, followed by Yizkor

#### APRIL 24 7 p.m.: Led by Cantor Martin 7:45 p.m.: Discussion led by Ellyn Lem on Jewish authors

Some or all of these services might be online only. See Temple website for updates and instructions on how view it online.



On March 13<sup>th</sup>, **Cantor Martin** led Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha's first virtual service.

Alan Meyers photo



Marsha Fensin photo

Members of the Adult Hebrew Class help **Cantor Martin** lead a February Shabbat service. From left: **Denise Stodola, Adrian Richfield, Cantor Martin** and **Laurie Schwartz**.

**Advertising in bulletin:** Send a graphic file of the ad to Lee Fensin at temple-news@hotmail.com by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. Send check, made out to CEEW, to the Temple (837 W. Moreland Blvd, Waukesha, WI, 53187), attention Administrator Jan Lowell.

#### **RATES PER ISSUE**

- \$15 for a business card size ad (2" x 3.5") minimum three issues
- \$30 for a 1/4 page (3.5" x 4.5") minimum three issues
- \$45 for a 1/2 page (5" x 7.5")
- \$75 for a page (8" x 10")

### **B'NAI MITZVAH** Upcoming at CEEW

### 2020 LIA ECKER

Daughter of Jennifer and Wes Ecker June 6<sup>th</sup> (tentative), 3:30 p.m.

### **MILO PATZ**

Son of Andi and Tabb Patz Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

### NOAH SULMAN

Son of Aaron and Cecille Sulman Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

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**MOLLY SCHMIDT** 

Daughter of Loren and Mark Schmidt May 8<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.



**TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED:** We will need to fill two vacant seats on the Board of Trustees when elections are held at the annual meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Contact Co-President Laurie Schwartz if interested.

# FUNDS to which you can donate to help our synagogue

There are many ways to help the synagogue, among them donating to the various funds available at CEEW. Please circle the fund to which you would like your donation to go. Make checks payable to CEEW. Return form with check to :

Treasurer Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha 830 W. Moreland Blvd. Waukesha, WI. 53188

General Fund: All donations not otherwise designated.

**Endowment Fund:** A fund that is invested to serve as a continual source of stability and income for the synagogue.

**Mensch Fund:** Some of our members are not able to afford fees to attend synagogue events. The fund is used to help defray these costs.

**Education Fund:** Tuition does not cover the full cost of the Religious School. This helps support school expenses.

Library Fund: Used to purchase books and supplies.

Torah Fund: Used to repair our current scrolls or, perhaps, to buy a new Torah some day.

**Bill and Riva Merkow Endowment Fund:** The intent is to grow this fund so that the income will fund a significant portion of the synagogue's yearly expenses. Our first goal is to fund the spiritual leader full time.

**Goldblatt / Adams Memorial Fund:** Supports the development of teachers' skills that will benefit the synagogue, and helps young people attend Jewish summer camps, Israel programs or youth activities and/or conventions.

**Spiritual Leader's Discretionary Fund:** The spiritual leader can use this fund as needed as long as it meets the tax guidelines.

Lapham Reserve Fund: The Board controls this fund. It is used to meet unexpected expenditures.

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**DINING GROUP CHANGES:** The group was scheduled to head to Union House in Genesee Depot on April 18<sup>th</sup>, but that trip was cancelled because of the coronavirus. Union House will be the destination on June 6<sup>th</sup>. For more information on the group, contact Elly Kraines (ellyanna340@gmail.com).

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			Online Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m.		Online Cantor-led service, 7 p.m.	Online Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. Online <i>Havdallah</i> , 6:30 p.m.
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